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SUMMARY: RESPONDING TO HOMAGE PAID SLAIN U. S. DIPLOMATS BY
OAS COUNCIL, AMBASSADOR JOVA URGED REDOUBLING OF COOPERATIVE
EFFORTS TO COMBAT TERRORISM. END SUMMARY

1. AMBASSADOR CASTILLO OF GUATEMALA, CURRENT CHAIRMAN OF
OAS PERMANENT COUNCIL, OPENED REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 7 WITH WARM WORDS OF TRIBUTE TO AMBASSADOR NOEL AND
MR. MOORE AND ASKED THAT USDEL TRANSMIT CONDOLENCES TO USG
AND BEREAVED FAMILIES. COUNCIL THEN OBSERVED MINUTE OF
SILENCE IN THEIR HONOR.

2. RESPONDING, AMBASSADOR JOVA EXPRESSED APPRECIATION AND
NOTED THAT TRAGEDY WAS ONE MORE ILLUSTRATION THAT TERRORISM
KNOWS NO NATIONAL BOUNDRIES AND THAT VICTIMS MUST BE
REGARDED AS ONE FAMILY WITH US ALL. LATEST INCIDENT, HE
ADDED, UNDERSCORED UNIQUE SIGNIFICANCE OF STEPS ALREADY
TAKEN IN INTER- AMERICAN SYSTEM TO COMBAT TERRORISM, THROUGH
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1971 OAS CONVENTION ON ATTACKS AGAINST DIPLOMATS. IT ALSO HIGHLIGHTED IMPORTANCE OF FURTHER EFFORTS IN THIS DIRECTION, THROUGH (A) URGING MEMBER GOVTS TO RATIFY AND IMPLEMENT THE OAS CONVENTION AND (B) REDOUBLING SEARCH WITHIN COUNCIL ITSELF FOR OTHER MEANS OF COMBATTING TERRORISM.

3. (NICARAGUAN AMBASSADOR STATED AFTERWARDS THAT GON HAD JUST RATIFIED OAS TERRORISM CONVENTION AS FIRST SIGNATORY TO DO SO.) ROGERS

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